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Memorial Day
May 31, 2004

The calm before the storm: Hurricane preparedness saves lives, minimizes loss

By Bart Jackson

Navy Charleston Shoreline

As the temperatures start to rise, that can only mean one thing. Hurricane season is right around the corner, and that means it's time once again to be prepared.

LTJG Kevin McCarthy, NWS Charleston Emergency Management Officer has advice on preparing for an emergency.

The overall mission of Naval Weapons Station Charleston Emergency Management is to plan, equip and train in mitigation, response and recovery for all hazards/disasters that could potentially affect the Station. Proper planning can minimize a lot of human suffering and property losses, which will minimize mission degradation that would result from the potential loss of lives and/or critical facilities and equipment.

The response phase of a disaster is a crucial time for any event that has already taken place. The determining factor is how well you have planned and trained, according to McCarthy. "Planning and preparation saves lives. Plan ahead, so you're not left behind," said McCarthy. "Keep your disaster preparation kit up to date," he contin-



photo by NOAA

Shrimp boats located in McClellanville, S.C., were destroyed during Hurricane Hugo in 1989.

ued. "Notice I said 'disaster' preparation, not a 'hurricane kit.' Your kit should prepare you for all hazards."

When faced with an impending storm, planning and staying informed are the utmost priorities. "I think it's only human nature to be lulled into a false sense of security, just because we haven't had a major event (Hugo) in the last 15 years. People think they are safe and a hurricane is not dangerous, nothing

could be further from the truth," said McCarthy. McCarthy suggests researching the website <http://www.state.sc.us/emd/>, and evaluate your family's level of preparedness. "I think people would be surprised at just how vulnerable they are, when they evaluate their families situation," said McCarthy.

Take the time to develop a plan and make preparations, advised Rick Dangerfield, NWS Safety Director.

"If you don't do it today, chances are you won't be ready when the big one hits. Practice risk management in everything you do, identify hazards, make risk decisions, implement controls, and watch for changes, be observant of your surroundings at all times, it's one less thing to worry about in the face of an emergency," said Dangerfield. One simple rule of thumb Dangerfield likes to pass along is, "Run from the water, and hide from the wind."

"The Navy attempts in all aspects of its planning to learn from past events by compiling lessons learned from different events," McCarthy said. "Some of these lessons are good and some are bad, but by analyzing and evaluating past events we learn and are better prepared for future events. As a base we are continuously improving and striving to operate better, safer and more efficiently," he added.

The bottom line is, "Use a little common sense, listen to the weather service advisories, and follow the recommendations of public safety officials," said Dangerfield.

For more information and to view the complete 2004 Hurricane Guide online, please visit <http://www.state.sc.us/emd/>.

'Play Ball!'

The Naval Hospital Charleston Color Guard, along with Charleston Air Force Base's 437th Airlift Wing Color Guard, parade the colors during a Charleston Riverdogs baseball game May 20. The game was part of the River Dogs Military Appreciation Night. All military personnel were given free admission and events were held throughout the game to recognize the military. May is designated as Military Appreciation Month and various dates are set aside to highlight military members as well as spouses. "These people take on the most important job ever," said Emma Appleton, military spouse. "To protect and serve our country no matter what the cost. They should be honored for their efforts." May 31 concludes Military Appreciation Month with the observance of Memorial Day.



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Around the Station



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Naval Weapons Station Charleston frocked 26 third class petty officers, 21 second class petty officers and eight first class petty officers at the All Saints Chapel May 17. Commanding Officer, Capt. Robert M. Zalaskus said the newly frocked petty officers can look forward to new responsibilities. He emphasized the importance of professionalism and pride in appearance and duty to the selectees. The Navy promoted more than 23,000 Sailors who passed the March advancement exam, representing a decrease of only 0.16 percent from the September exam.

Brig names new commanding officer

Commander Melanie A. Marr relinquished command today of



Marr

the Naval Consolidated Brig Charleston to Commander Catherine (Catie) T. Hanft.

Completing 27 months in command of one of only two consolidated brigades in the Navy, Marr also retired after 20 years service.

The guest speaker was Rear Admiral John M. Stewart, Deputy Commander, Navy Personnel Command, Millington, Tennessee.

Marr was awarded the Legion of Merit during the ceremony,

held on the Yorktown at Patriots Point.

Hanft has served as the brig's executive officer for the past six months.

The New York City native reported to the brig after a tour as staff officer with the director of the Navy staff for the Chief of Naval Operations.

Haft's personal decorations include two Meritorious Service Medals, four Navy and Marine Corps commendation Medals, the Navy and Marine Corps

Achievement Medal and the Humanitarian Service Medal.



Hanft

Memorial Day warrants safety for Sailors

The long Memorial Day weekend brings family picnics and sunshine. It also begins the "critical days of summer." It marks the end of the school year, which, for many families, means vacation and PCS travel.

On Memorial Day itself, we sadly remember those who, with honor, courage and commitment, gave their lives in defense of our freedoms and all for which it stands.

Unfortunately Memorial Day weekend too often claims the lives of sailors, marines, and civilians involved in vehicle and off-duty recreational mishaps. The vast majority of these mishaps are preventable, because more often than not they involve all those things that we know too well about: drinking and driving; no seat belt use; fatigue; inexperience in recreational activities; drownings. The list goes on and on. At the same time we know the steps that must be taken to eliminate these senseless mishaps: operational risk management (both on and off duty), situational

awareness, intrusive, in your face leadership, and more often than not, just plain common sense. These steps and more will stop the injuries and loss of life we suffer every year at this time.

Let's review: for vehicle mishaps, not using seatbelts, drunk driving and driving while fatigued are the biggest killers. Buckling up can prevent nearly half of all injuries and deaths. In most states and aboard all military installations, buckling up is mandatory. The national Click-It-or-Ticket campaign begins May 24, bringing mandatory fines for those who won't buckle up.

National drunk driving penalties also are becoming harsher, and for military members a DUI is a career-stopper. If you are driving cross-country with your family to a new duty station, drive realistic distances before stopping for the night. Drink plenty of fluids, be rested and switch drivers, if possible. Allow for ample travel time - do not race against the

clock. If you are going to be late, call ahead and don't push your limits.

During FY01-FY03, 349 Sailors and Marines were killed in vehicle related mishaps. 67 lives have been lost in car accidents through May 20 in FY 04, as compared to 68 for the same period in FY03. Other off-duty mishaps accounted for 89 deaths in FY01-FY03, with an additional 22 lives already lost thus far in FY04, compared to only 14 through the same period last year.

We concentrate on the "critical days of summer," beginning with Memorial Day weekend and ending with Labor Day weekend, because off-duty mishap rates spike during that period. During the 2003 "critical days of summer," 44 Sailors and Marines died in vehicle related accidents and 14 were fatally injured in other off-duty mishaps, with eight of the 14 due to drowning.

As you participate in summer picnics and water sports, be careful.

Weapons Station going hog wild

By Terrence Larimer
Natural Resources Manager

Feral hogs have been seen on Naval Weapons Station Charleston in the past several months. The first sighting was on the Cooper River waterfront near Pier Bravo.

All subsequent reports have come from the South Annex, near the TC Dock at the mouth of Goose Creek or from around the SPAWAR complex. Three to twenty hogs have been reported. Feral hogs have been reported for a number of years on the Bushy Park peninsula, just across the Back River from the Station, but hogs have not been reported on Weapons Station property

until recently.

Feral hogs are domestic stock, which have escaped and are living and reproducing in the wild.

They are a serious problem wherever they occur and are rapidly spreading throughout the lower 48 states.

Wild hogs are non-native wildlife commonly classified as an invasive, exotic, pest. Executive Order 13112 directs federal authorities to eliminate or control such species on federal lands.

The reasons for this requirement are numerous. Hogs compete directly for food and cover with many species of wildlife including deer, turkey, squirrels, quail and others. They cause severe

damage in agricultural and urban settings with their rooting behavior. Lawns, gardens, golf courses and natural areas look like a roto-tiller has plowed through them after pigs have been there. Hogs will eat almost anything: animal, vegetable, cereal or fruit. Their wallowing behavior severely degrades water quality in streams and ponds.

Feral hogs carry serious diseases that are transmissible to people and domestic animals. Always wear protective gloves when handling feral hogs or their meat. Transport of non-domestic pigs across state lines is illegal.

Adult hogs weight from 100 to 300 pounds but can weigh more than 500 pounds. Their color can vary from solid black, gray grizzled black, brown, blond, white or red to spotted or belted. Hogs first breed at age six to 10 months producing two litters per year. Litter size ranges from four to eight, but may be as large as 13. Generally, wild hogs travel in family groups comprised of two or more sows and their young. Adult boars are solitary, only joining a herd to breed. In South Carolina, a hunting license is required to hunt feral hogs but there is no closed season or weapons restrictions for hunting hogs on private land.

The Natural Resources staff is consulting with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Wildlife Services Division to decide how to effectively remove the hogs from Station. To assist the effort please report any sightings of wild hogs or hog rooting locations to the Natural Resources office at 764-7951 or e-mail Terrence.Larimer@navy.mil.



Feral hogs have been seen on Naval Weapons Station Charleston in the past several months. Natural Resources is in the process of determining a way to remove the hogs from the Station



US Army Material Command Combat Equipment Group-Afloat (CEG-A) conducted an awards ceremony recently. Employees recognized for their service were: Mike Bunting, Certificate of Commendation for his support of OIF; Rod Patterson, On-The-Spot Cash Award for support of OIF; Michael Sprowles, Certificate of Appreciation for support of OIF; Trish Lowe, certificated of Appreciation for support as Combined Federal Campaign coordinator and Lillian McLeod, 15 years of service.

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From your
Perspective

Are you prepared in the event of a hurricane?

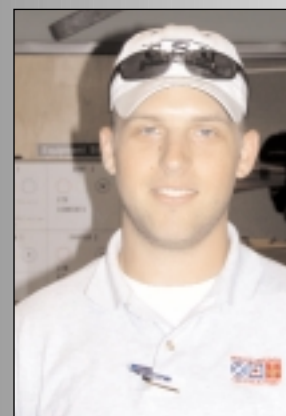


"I'm going to make sure I am stocked up on canned goods and have plenty of bottled water."

-Kimberly Longwell
Navy Exchange Barbershop

"For me, I am praying everyday that a hurricane doesn't even develop."

-Rita Pasles
City Colleges of Chicago



"I plan on watching the news and the weather channel for updates and becoming familiar with evacuation routes."

-Brian Hodges
Outdoor Adventure Center

"I'll make sure all loose objects are tied or brought inside to keep things from blowing around causing even more damage."

-John Golfin
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STORM WARNINGS

A special preparedness guide by The Navy Charleston Shoreline

It's time to reason with the hurricane season...

hur-ri-cane (hūr'ə kăn', hur'- or, esp. Brit., -kən), n. 1. a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or in excess of 73 miles per hour. 2. anything suggesting a violent storm. [< Sp huracán < Taino huracán]

The reminders are everywhere...

The hurricane season is upon us, and now is the time for Charleston residents to prepare.

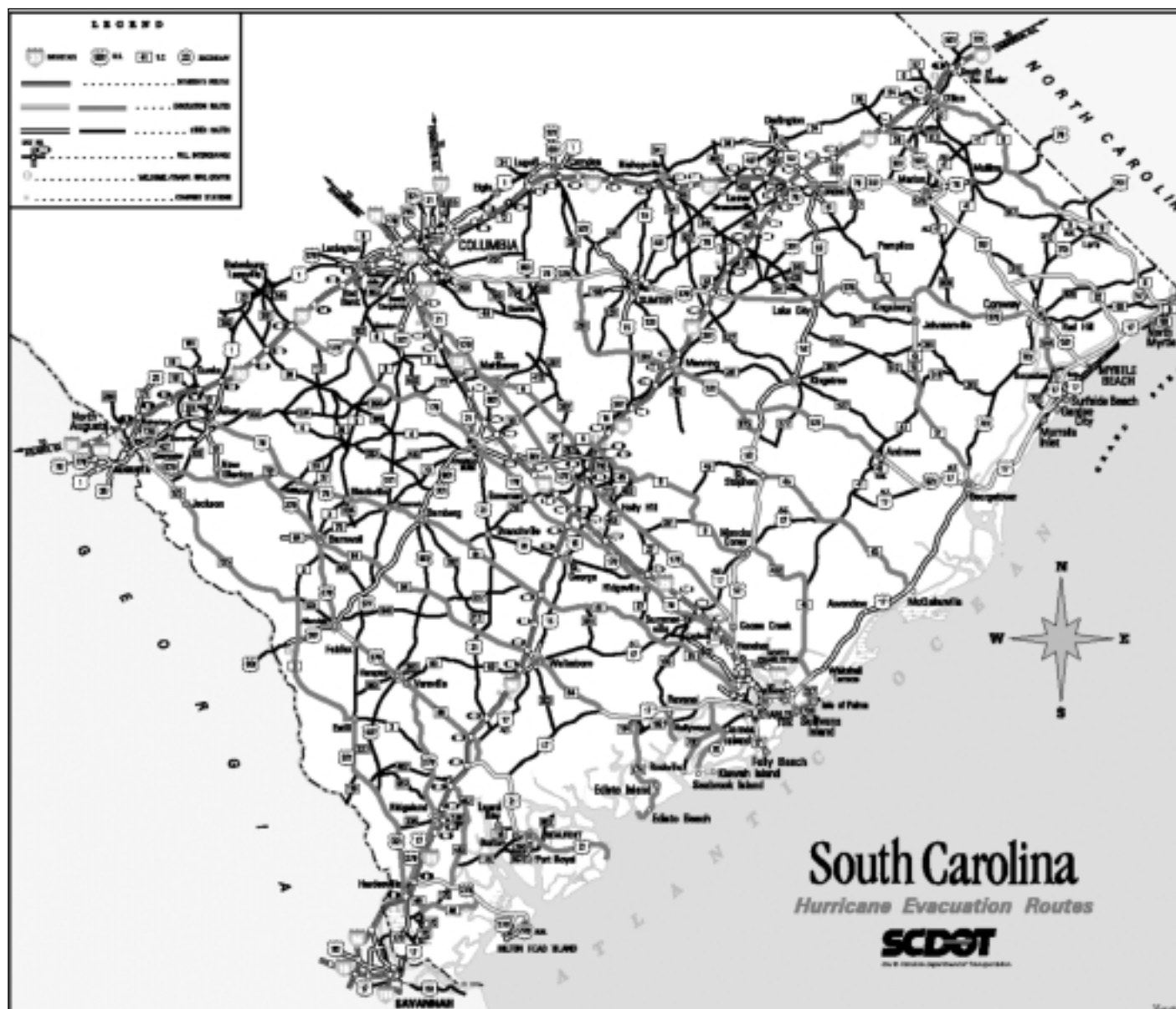
Families should be prepared for all hazards that could affect their area. NOAA's National Weather Service, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the American Red Cross urge everyone to develop a family disaster plan.

Where will your family be when disaster strikes? They could be any-

where- work, school or in the car. How will you find each other? Disaster may force you to evacuate your neighborhood or confine you to your home.

This hurricane edition provides readers with a hurricane tracking chart, evacuation routes and a supply list.

For information on how to prepare your family in the event of a hurricane, visit www.noaa.gov or www.nws.noaa.gov.



The Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Scale

Category One Hurricane:

Winds 74-95 mph (64-82 kt or 119-153 km/hr). Storm surge generally 4-5 ft above normal. No real damage to building structures. Damage primarily to unanchored mobile homes, shrubbery and trees.

Category Two Hurricane:

Winds 96-110 mph (83-95 kt or 154-177 km/hr). Storm surge generally 6-8 ft above normal. Considerable damage to mobile homes, poorly constructed signs, and piers. Coastal and low-lying escape routes flood 2-4 hours before arrival of the hurricane center.

Category Three Hurricane:

Winds 111-130 mph (96-113 kt or 178-209 km/hr). Storm surge generally 9-12 ft above normal. Some structural damage to small residences and utility buildings with a minor amount of curtainwall failures.

Category Four Hurricane:

Winds 131-155 mph (114-135 kt or 210-249 km/hr). Storm surge generally 13-18 ft above normal. Complete destruction of mobile homes. Extensive damage to doors and windows. Low-lying escape routes may be cut by rising water 3-5 hours before arrival of the center of the hurricane. Major damage to lower floors of structures near the shore. Terrain lower than 10 ft above sea level may be flooded requiring massive evacuation of residential areas as far inland as 6 miles (10 km).

Category Five Hurricane:

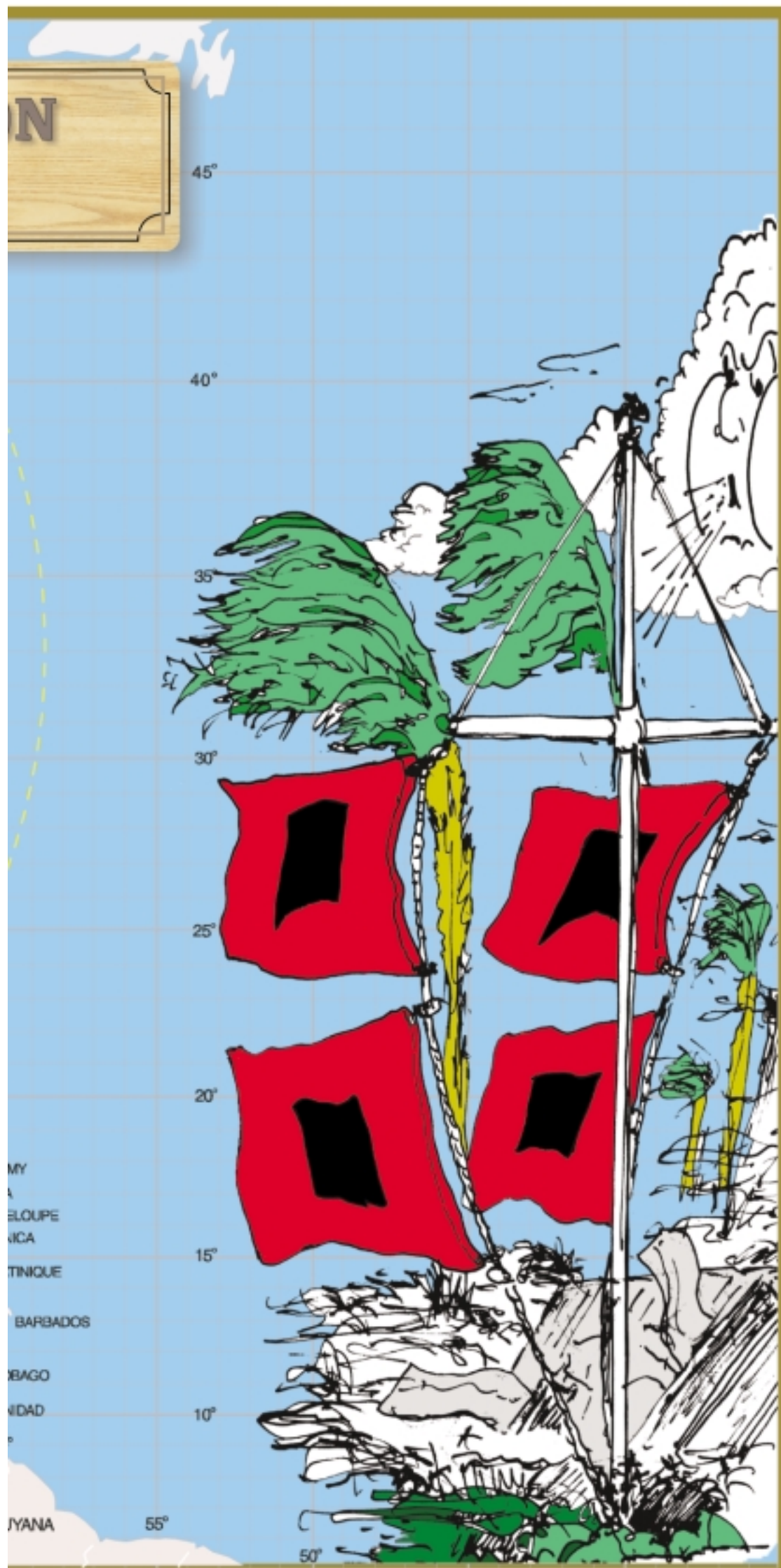
Winds greater than 155 mph (135 kt or 249 km/hr). Storm surge generally greater than 18 ft above normal. Complete roof failure on many residences and industrial buildings. Some complete building failures with small utility buildings blown over or away. Complete destruction of mobile homes. Low-lying escape routes are cut by rising water 3-5 hours before arrival of the center of the hurricane. Major damage to lower floors of all structures located less than 15 ft above sea level and within 500 yards of the shoreline. Massive evacuation of residential areas on low ground within 5-10 miles (8-16 km) of the shoreline may be required.



OFFICIAL NWS-CHARLESTON HURRICANE TRACKING CHART

ATLANTIC HURRICANE TRACKING CHART





HURRICANE SUPPLY CHECKLIST

- ☐ Portable cooler with ice
- ☐ Canned/pre-packaged foods* (non-perishable)
- ☐ Canned/pre-packaged beverages* (non-perishable)
- ☐ Baby foods/juices/milk* (non-perishable)*
- ☐ Baby diapers*
- ☐ Bottled water- two (2) gallons per person per day
- ☐ Manual can opener
- ☐ Disposable eating utensils
- ☐ First Aid kit/Manual
- ☐ Medicines (prescription/over-the-counter*)
- ☐ Toiletries/personal hygiene items/toilet paper/soap*
- ☐ Pre-moistened wiping towels
- ☐ Pillow/blanket or sleeping bag
- ☐ Towel(s)/washcloth(s)
- ☐ Extra clothing
- ☐ Portable radio/extra batteries
- ☐ Flashlights/extra batteries
- ☐ Fire extinguisher
- ☐ Basic tool kit (hammer, nails, etc.)
- ☐ Birth and Marriage certificates
- ☐ Medical and immunization records
- ☐ Insurance policies (property, health/dental)
- ☐ ID cards: Drivers license/medicare
(if applicable) health/dental member cards
- ☐ Plastic bags (heavy duty)
- ☐ Cards/games/books

*Two (2) week supply for each person

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STORM NAMES

Alex	Hermine	Otto
Bonnie	Ivan	Paula
Charley	Jeanne	Richard
Danielle	Karl	Shary
Earl	Lisa	Tomas
Frances	Matthew	Virginie
Gaston	Nicole	Walter



Information & Referral (I&R)

Did you know? The school year is coming to a close. It is moving time again. Do you need information about your new area? Do you know there are college scholarships for military children? For answers to your questions, call our I & R personnel at 764-7294, ext. 10 or 25.

Counseling Services

Need to talk to someone in confidence? Are you feeling stressed or angry? Just call and make an appointment for our free counseling.

We have trained counselors to help you through this time. You can make an individual appointment or with your spouse. We visit some commands during the day to talk.

If you are an active duty or retiree, spouse of an active duty, retiree, widow, widower or POW family member survivor, you qualify for our free and confidential services. Call 764-7294 for an appointment.

Command Family Ombudsman

Ombudsmen are information and referral people. A command family ombudsman is there to answer questions. Each command has an ombudsman.

If you have questions such as special needs of family member, moving, childcare or about activities within your spouse's command, call your command ombudsman or Tommie Provost, 764-7294, ext. 48 to find the name of your ombudsman.

WORKSHOP	DATE	TIME
Anger Management	June 8	1:30-4 p.m.
Advanced Resume		Monthly
Pre-separation Counseling		Monthly
Playmornings	Every Wed.	9-11:30 a.m.
Spouse Orientation	Every Tues.	10 a.m.
Stress Management	June 1	1-4 p.m.
TVolunteer	Mon.-Fri	8 a.m.-4 p.m

***Please note: The Teen Jive program is on summer vacation. Call the FFSC in August for future dates.**

Can't find what you're looking for here?
Visit The Fleet and Family Support Center on the Web at
www.nwschs.navy.mil
Meeting your needs.
At home. At sea.



photo by Glenn M. Cox

From left childcare professionals Linda Peregrino; Barbara Corrigan; Capt. Robert M. Zalaskus, Commander, Naval Weapons Station Charleston; Janet Factura and Linda Weber smile for the camera during the Station's National Provider Day Luncheon recently. In May, childcare organizations nationwide joined together to declare May 7 as National Provider Appreciation Day. Locally, the special efforts and contributions of the childcare professionals from the Child Development Center, Child Development Homes and Youth Center at Naval Weapons Station Charleston were recognized during a ceremony and dinner at the Redbank Club.

Leisure Times Lite

Swimming pools to open tomorrow

The MenRiv New Wave Aquatic Center and Eastside Pool will open for the season May 29. The daily entrance fee is \$2 (\$1.50 for E-4 and below). Single season passes are \$55 (\$45 for E-4 and below). Family season passes are \$100 (\$90 for E-4 and below). Passes can be purchased at New Wave Aquatic Center. For more information, call 764-7033.

Get fit with water aerobics and Delta Bells

Water exercise classes, featuring Delta Bells water fitness equipment, offered at New Wave Aquatic Center provide a fitness program for non-swimmers and swimmers alike. This fitness program is designed to enhance the resistance of water pressure during exercise. Class instruction and exercise are done with Delta Bells-water exercise equipment that gives a person the ability to adjust the pace to a low or high intensity. Classes start June 1 and will be held on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday of each week from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$35 per person per month (\$30 for seniors). Call New Wave at 764-7033 for more information.

Barracudas swim team registration announced

Registration for the Barracudas summer swim team will be held through June 1 at the Youth Center. Registration will be held Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. The fee is \$35 for children of active duty and retired military, DoD civilians, retired DoD and contractors. The swim team is open to swimmers ages 5-18. The swim team season will run from June 1 to July 31. June 1 is the age cut off date. For more information on the Barracudas swim team, call the Youth Center at 764-7809.

LIBERTY Program

Pool Tournament, June 1, 5:30 p.m.

Stop by The Dive and compete for great prizes in our biweekly pool tournament. The only charge is the cost of the game. Prizes include gift certificates to the NEX. For additional information, call 764-7002. This tournament is open to all active duty.

Scuba Diving, June 5, 7:30 p.m.

Explore the Edisto 60, an artificial wreck where you can

see triggerfish, spadefish and many others. You must be a certified scuba diver to attend. The cost is \$85 if you have your own gear and \$105 if you need to rent gear. Sign up in the Liberty office (Bldg. 206) by May 28. Call 764-7002 for more information.

Horseback Riding, June 6, 9 a.m.

Enjoy a one-hour trail ride through the woods for \$30. Experienced and inexperienced riders are welcome. The deadline to sign up is May 28. Sign up in the Liberty office (Bldg. 206).

Splash Party, June 9, 5:30 p.m.

This party will be held at the New Wave Aquatic Center and if you have any interest in scuba diving, this is where you need to be! Freedom at Depth will be there with scuba gear to let you experience the dive. Divers will be on hand to answer questions about certification, and free pizza will also be available. Call 764-7002 for more information.

Mary's Landing Evening Paddle, June 3, 6 to 9 p.m.

MWR offers a guided sunset tour of our picturesque Marrington Plantation. While gliding along the water at sunset, feel and see the colors and shades of the Foster Creek change. Paddle with aquatic birds and other marine life feeding before the day's end. Don't miss this opportunity for a truly magical evening. The fee is \$12 per person. Participant limit: 12. Pre-trip: none. Provided gear: kayak, paddle and personal floatation device. Exertion level: mild/moderate. Prerequisites: none. The signup deadline is June 1.

Marrington Bike Ride, June 2, 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Join the Madness! Join our guide for a mountain bike ride on one of the local trails at Marrington Plantation. If you need a bike, we will give you one to try out for the evening. Or bring your own ride! We will meet at the Outdoor Adventure Center at 5:30 p.m. and ride out from there by 5:45 p.m. There is no fee for this trip. Participant limit: nine. Pre-trip: none. Required gear: mountain bike (provided if needed) and helmet. Exertion level: moderate. Prerequisites: none. The signup deadline is May 31.

Family & Housing News

Policy/procedures for vacating family housing

Transferring soon, retiring/separating, buying a home? Whatever your reason for vacating housing, remember you are required to file a Notice of Intent to Vacate. A 30-day notice is required in order to vacate Military Family Housing. File your notice early to ensure availability of inspection dates and times. Vacating Housing is as simple as 1-2-3:

1. Set up move of household goods with Personal Property located in Building 302, phone 764-7575.

2. You or your spouse must bring to the Housing Welcome Center:

- * Copy of your orders
- * Copy of your Personal Property documents. This includes "Do It Yourself (DITY)" move documents.

NOTE: For students who don't receive their orders within 30 days of leaving, proceed to Personal Property to set up your move. Come to the Housing Welcome Center with your Personal Property documents only. Housing will require a copy of your orders upon receipt.

3. At the Housing Welcome Center a Housing Clerk will assist with filing the Notice of Intent to Vacate (this will take approximately 20 minutes). During this time the following inspections will be scheduled:

* Pre-termination - Scheduled as soon as possible. During this inspection, your responsibilities for clearing quarters are outlined.

* Keys Pickup - This inspection is scheduled only if you have elected to hire a contract cleaner to clean your quarters. Schedule 48 hours prior to final inspection. After returning keys, you are free to leave. However, your BAH will not be reinstated until day of Final Inspection.

* Final Inspection - All household goods and personal property must be out of quarters. In order to pass inspection, cleaning requirements, as outlined at the pre-termination Inspection, must be met and any costs for damages (beyond normal wear and tear) must be satisfied.

NOTE: Those who have elected to hire a contract cleaner, do

not have to attend this inspection, the contract cleaner will represent you.

Veterinary clinic scheduled for June

Naval Weapons Station Charleston's pet policy requires routine vaccinations of cats and dogs for rabies and other diseases in accordance with federal, state and local laws and ordinances. The policy also requires microchipping registration, or other systems of pet identification approved by supporting veterinary office, of all pet cats and dogs brought onto government installations.

To assist pet owners to comply with the above policy, the Housing Welcome Center is sponsoring a Veterinary Clinic June 16 at the gazebo next to the Self-Help Store on Fletcher Street. Charleston Air Force Base Veterinary Clinic personnel will conduct the clinic. Clinic services will include rabies vaccination and microchipping. Hours of operation for the clinic will be 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cash (exact amount only) or personal check will be accepted.

Attention Bachelor Housing residents

This is a friendly reminder to all Bachelor Housing Residents that the most common place for house fires is in the kitchen or your clothes dryer. Please keep the clothes dryer lint trap cleaned after every use. Below is a list of items to help reduce the risk of fires in the kitchen.

Reducing kitchen fires

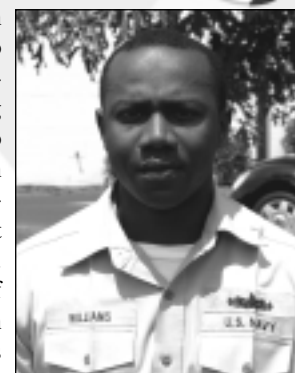
The kitchen is a relatively safe place, but it contains many elements that can lead to accidents. Here are some things you can do to minimize fire-safety hazards in the kitchen:

- * Regularly check electrical burners on your stove top.
- * Clean accumulated grease.
- * Don't smoke in the area.
- * Know the location, type and purpose of your fire extinguisher.
- * Avoid wearing loose clothing that can get caught in flames or appliances.
- * Use an approved fire extinguisher or baking soda to put out small flames.

BEQ Employee in the Spotlight

SH2 (SW) Tito Williams

Ship's Serviceman Second Class (SW) Tito Williams is the newest member of our Bachelor Housing staff. Prior to coming to Naval Weapons Station Charleston, Williams completed a deployment onboard the USS John L. Hall (FFG 32) out of Pascagula, Mississippi. In his off time, Williams enjoys basketball, football and bar-b-bering. He is accompanied by his wife Nichole, and their two children Carizma and Kennedy. Welcome to Charleston!



Another option is to cover a burning pan with a lid. If clothing should catch fire, the rule is to stop, drop and roll.

* Keep the handles of pots and pans pointed toward the back of the stove top.

* Never leave appliance cords hanging from counter tops.

* Remember the acronym "PASS:" P-pull the pin, A-aim the extinguisher nozzle at the base of the flames, S-squeeze trigger while holding the extinguisher upright, S-sweep the extinguisher from side to side, covering the area of the fire with the extinguishing agent



AO1 and Mrs. Brian D. Tschannen
41 Webster Street



UT2 and Mrs. Michael C. Montalto
33 Sunbird Street



EMCS and Mrs. Kenneth W. Bogy
25 Marshall Street



ENS and Mrs. Rodolfo Benitez
44 Hickory Hall Lane.

May Yard of the Month winners

The Yard of the Month program was established to recognize residents who maintain their lawns and exterior of their homes in an outstanding manner. The program begins in April and continues through August. Congratulations to the following residents on being May's recipients of the Yard of the Month award.

Honorable Mention

- | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| SN and Mrs. Jorge D. Caraballa | 66 Wester Street |
| MM1 and Mrs. Timmy B. Ewell | 31 Sunbird Street |
| MM1 and Mrs. Bryan A. Henry | 24 Hamilton Street |
| LT and Mrs. Steven N. Hood | 3 Keklico Court West |